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D. Zimmerman**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**Assistant Commissioner of Patents
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Sir:

Prior to examination, kindly amend the application as follows:

IN THE ABSTRACT:

Please add the attached ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 21.

Please amend the following claims:

42 4. (Amended) A method as claimed in claim 2, wherein at least two strips of sealed pouches are arranged in the carton.

43 6. (Amended) A method as claimed in claim 4, wherein the at least two strips of sealed pouches are releasably attached to one another.